system has many objectionable features. A rule should be framed directing that only persons over 25 years of age and of good physique, and knowing at least to read and write should be taken. Such of them as would be willing to take up employment should be made to appear before a Taluk Magistrate and communicate their intention. The companies should in turn bind themselves to adhere to the terms of agreement entered into as regards the payment of wages and other remuneration, the amount of advance given and the subsequent amounts to be expected being clearly specified. The workmen should be free to return to their places whenever they desire. The introduction of the Emigration Act into Mysore would be advantageous.

Mr. Pilkington.—Recruitment in Kadur, Hassan and Shimoga should be prohibited entirely. If this is not possible, a system of registration before a Magistrate should be adopted at once.

Reply of Government.—Legislation on this subject is under the consideration of Government.

SUBJECT No. 14.

Introduction of pass-books among merchants.

Mr. B. Kesaviah, Chikmagalur taluk.

Summary of discussion.—For the protection of agriculturists and other poor people from money-lenders, a provision similar to that of Section 66 of the Deccan Agriculturists' Relief Act of 1879 of Bombay may be made for the issue of pass-books by merchants for all transactions between them and the ryots.

Per contra.

Mr. C. Krishnamurti of the Bangalore City Municipality explained the provisions of the section and said that its introduction might result in more harm than good in the case of illiterate persons as it would give much room for false entries being made without any safeguard for checking the same. The case would be different if the whole Act was introduced.

Reply of Government.—The necessity for the introduction of the pass-book is not made out.

SUBJECT No. 15.

Amendment of the Land Revenue Code.

Messrs. S. Sitaramaiya and S. R. Balakrishna Rao, Shimoga Municipality; K. Shankaranarayana Rao, Nagar Sabha; and C. Krishna Murti, Bangalore City Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—A provision may be made in the Mysore Land Revenue Code whereby defaulters, who pay up the arrears of kandayam accruing on their holdings, with costs of the sale proceedings and interest with 5 per cent of the purchase money, within a month after the sale of their lands, may be allowed to have the sale cancelled without further enquiry.

Reply of Government.—The Government have fully considered the matter and have come to the conclusion that it would be inexpedient to extend to revenue sales the above provision relating to sales by Civil Courts.